

## RODE FIVE WINNERS

Miller Piloted Each of His Mounts Home in Front.

LANDED BANKER AT 12 TO 1

Crack Jockey's Good Horsemanship Probably Averted Accident When Shilling Caught Oxford by the Bridle, for Which He Was Set Down for Balance of the Meeting.

Walter Miller has established himself the ideal at Benning. The champion jockey of the year is so distinctly in the limelight with his wonderful riding that all else at the race course is eclipsed. This great rider yesterday rode to victory in five races, piloting four of the five favorites. One race was a steeplechase, and of course, Miller was only a spectator during its running.

Miller's remarkable work yesterday brought his season's winning mounts up to 24, which is 47 more than any other rider ever brought home first in one year on the American turf. In 1904 Eugene Hildebrand, the sensational jockey, who came from California, established a mark of 29, but Miller beat this more than a month ago. Four times this year Miller has rode five winners in one day, and last spring at Benning he not only piloted five in an afternoon, but came back the next day and rode the winners in the first three races, thus giving him eight straight victories. When the jockey finished first in the last race on Emperor of India, he was cheered by the throng as he returned to the judges' stand, and right well he deserved it.

In the eight days of racing at Benning there has been forty-eight races, including five steeplechases. Of this number Miller has won twenty-three, but more than one-half the races on the flat. In nearly all his other starts he has been second or third.

## Miller Honest and Courageous.

Miller is honest, game, and competent. He has often been accused of rough riding, but there never has been a suspicion of crookedness against him. He is out to win in every race. Sometimes he rides a poor race, but every game rider has suffered a reversal of fortune. Miller's courage and generalship yesterday saved him in two races, when his mounts were repeatedly fouled in the stretch, and his complaint to the stewards after the fifth race resulted in Pretension being disqualified and Jockey Shilling suspended for the remainder of the meeting. Miller was riding Oxford, winner of the Columbia handicap last week, and also winner of a handicap this week. Shilling had the leg up on Pretension yesterday in the mile and seventy-yard run. Pretension made all the running, with Oxford second, but with all the fouling Miller did, he half way down the stretch Pretension carried Oxford toward the outside fence.

In fact, he bumped Oxford repeatedly, and Shilling reached over and took hold of Oxford's bridle. Miller barked him off with his whip, and then Oxford came on and won. The foul was seen by many of the spectators, and when Miller went up in the stewards' stand to complain the strong applause of the crowd of the Columbia handicap last week, and also winner of a handicap this week. Shilling had the leg up on Pretension yesterday in the mile and seventy-yard run. Pretension made all the running, with Oxford second, but with all the fouling Miller did, he half way down the stretch Pretension carried Oxford toward the outside fence.

In the fourth race Miller was also the victim of foul riding on the part of Doyle, who carried Cedarstone against Banker in the stretch, but, as Banker won, no complaint was made.

## Five Favorites Win.

Every favorite won yesterday, except in the fourth race, when Banker, at 12 to 1, defeated both Henry and Essex in the seventh Benning special. This was due entirely to Miller's superior ride. Banker was out two previous times at this meeting, and was badly defeated, and yesterday the support he got was attributed to the fact that Miller had the mount. This was the second feature of the card, and was a mile and one-half over the old course. It was a stiff betting proposition between Nemesis and Dainty, but the former closed, 7 to 5, favorite, while Dainty was held at 9 to 5 at post time. Cedarstone and Banker alternated in the race, but half way down the stretch Banker got on even terms with Cedarstone, when the latter carried Cedarstone, but the interference was not sufficient to throw Banker out of the race, and he won by a small margin. Dainty showed a flash, turning the bend into the stretch, but had not the foot of the others, while Nemesis stopped after going well for a mile.

Mr. McMurry's Tellfire, representing the Radnor Hunt, of Pennsylvania, handily won the Hunters' Champion Steeplechase, at three miles. There were seven starters, and five finished, the other two falling in their journey over the long route. Tellfire was selected to beat the field, but Mount Henry and Essex were always close to him in the market. Donahue was in Tellfire's saddle, and carried the favorite through the initial first all the way, with Kirklevington, Mount Henry, and Essex well up. Tellfire had a few lengths the best of the running going to the last furlong, and he led nearly all of his advantage, and Essex went up to him in turning into the flat. As they straightened out, Essex was on even terms with Tellfire, but the half-bred began to tire, and Jockey Stone's bat could not get an ounce more out of Mr. Kerr's horse. Tellfire came on handily and won by three lengths, while Mount Henry was two lengths back of Essex.

Nineteen people were left in the first race, and Workman was held at the shortest price. Miller had the mount, and when the barrier was released the clever jockey shot Workman to the front and led until halfway around the turn, when Belle Stopped back again. Workman had plenty of speed, and made every post a winning one, and was never in any danger. Azalina was off in the last flight, but took up lots of ground, and followed Belle Stopped past the judges in third place.

## Temmeraire an Easy Winner.

Twenty-six maiden two-year-olds were entered in the third race, and as there

were several withdrawals, J. E. Madden's Temmeraire was enabled to go to the post. He was last on the list of eligibles, and but for the scratches would not have carried the silks. The colt, with Miller to ride, was the favorite in the market, at 4 to 5, and all sorts of prices ranged around the others. Work and Play being held at the next shortest price, 6 to 1. Miller piloted Temmeraire out in front, and raced the other all the way except for a moment, when Ambush flashed in front, but Miller drew away at the quarter, and the finish was merely a gallop for the Madden colt. Narelle, running fifth most of the sprint, got up and beat Ambush for the place by a head.

The fifth race brought out the best two horses running at Benning, Oxford and Ormonde's Right, with Pretension and Voladay to keep them company in the full run over the Columbia course. Oxford opened at 9 to 20, but the public thought he so much out-classed his competitors that he was strongly supported, with Ormonde's Right nearly always at 4 to 1, and Pretension one point higher. Pretension was pacer until half way down the stretch, when Miller set Oxford after the leader. As Oxford overhauled Pretension, Shilling pulled off his foul stunt, but Oxford was far the best, and won with plenty to spare, with Pretension second and Ormonde's Right third. The handicap was moved up by both Ormonde's Right and Voladay.

Nothing was seriously considered to beat Emperor of India in the last race at a mile and three-sixteenths. Ivanhoe and Grand Duchess were equal second choices. Ivanhoe was the leader by one to two lengths for a mile, when Miller let Emperor of India down, and he drew past Ivanhoe handily, and won by a length and a half, while Grand Duchess followed Ivanhoe who had a half length to spare for the place.

## BENNING ENTRIES MONDAY.

FIRST RACE—Handicap; three-year-olds and upward; six and one-half furlongs; Columbia course. Ind. Hrs. Wgt. Ind. Hrs. 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